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June 25, 2004

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW Washington, DC 20544

Re:

In the Matter of The Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, CC Docket 96-128

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Dakota Central Telecom I, ("DCTI") submits this letter and accompanying certification as record that DCTI is not a "Completing Carrier" as that term is defined in the Commission's Order in CC Docket 96-128 ("Order")<sup>1</sup>, released on October 3, 2003.

As DCTI is not a Completing Carrier nor does it handle the types of calls the Commission has specified as being subject to both compensation and reporting to Payphone Service Providers, DCTI is not subject to such requirements at this time. If DCTI's operations are altered to the extent that DCTI necessarily becomes a Completing Carrier, DCTI will fully comply with the Commission's rules pertaining to this and all other payphone compensation and reporting matters.

Sincerely,

Keith A. Larson

General Manager/CEO

Dakota Central Telecom I

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## PAY TELEPHONE COMPLETING CARRIER CERTIFICATION OF DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM I

- 1. My name is Keith Larson. I currently serve as the General Manager/CEO of Dakota Central Telecom I (DCTII), a provider of local exchange telecommunications services as an Independent Local Exchange Carrier in the state of North Dakota. In this capacity, I have become familiar with the network operations of DCTI and its practices associated with the completion of calls originated from Pay Telephones.
- 2. DCTI is not a Completing Carrier as defined by Commission in 47 CFR § 64.1300.
- 3. DCTI's provision of operator services for the completion of local calls from pay telephones is handled by National Directory Assistance through a contractual arrangement.
- 4. DCTI has confirmed with National Directory Assistance that any calls processed by National Directory Assistance are included in the respective call tracking systems and compensation remittance process of National Directory Assistance.
- 5. DCTI does not currently provide a coinless access code service.
- 6. DCTI does not currently provide a subscriber toll-free service.
- 7. In consideration of the aforementioned facts, DCTI is not subject to the compensation or reporting requirements related to the Commission's Report and Order<sup>1</sup> and associated revisions to 47 CFR Sections 64.1300, 64.1310, and 64.1320.

l certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on June 25, 2004.

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